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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

- 1. This Office action is in response to the amendment filed on September 5, 2007.
- 2. Claims 1, 3-10, 12-16, 18-25, 27-31, 33-40, and 42-51 are pending.
- 3. Claims 1, 5, 6, 14-16, 18, 20-22, 27, 29-31, 33, 35-37, 42, 44, and 45 have been amended.
- 4. Claims 2, 11, 17, 26, 32, and 41 have been cancelled.
- 5. Claims 46-51 have been added.
- 6. The objections to the drawings are withdrawn in view of Applicant's amendments to the drawings.
- 7. The objection to the abstract is withdrawn in view of Applicant's amendments to the abstract.
- 8. The objections to the specification are withdrawn in view of Applicant's amendments to the specification.
- 9. The objections to Claims 5, 14, 20, 29, 31, 35, and 44 are withdrawn in view of Applicant's amendments to the claims.
- 10. The 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejections of Claims 1, 3-15, 18-30, 33-37, and 42-45 are withdrawn in view of Applicant's arguments and amendments to the claims. The 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejections of Claims 2, 11, and 26 are withdrawn in view of Applicant's cancellation of the claims. However, the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejections of Claims 5, 6, 14, 15, 20-25, 29, 30, 35, 36, 44, and 45 are maintained in view of Applicant's arguments and further explained below.

11. The 35 U.S.C. § 101 rejections of Claims 31-45 are withdrawn in view of Applicant's amendments to the claims.

#### Response to Amendment

## **Drawings**

- 12. The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include the following reference character(s) not mentioned in the description:
  - Reference numbers 103 and 105 in Figure 1.

Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d), or amendment to the specification to add the reference character(s) in the description in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(b) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application.

Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not

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accepted by the Examiner, the Applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

# Specification

13. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

# Claim Objections

- 14. Claims 1, 3-10, 12-15, 18, 27, 33, 42, 46, and 50 are objected to because of the following informalities:
  - Claim 1 recites the limitation "creating an event handler for method nodes."

    Applicant is advised to change this limitation to read "creating an event handler for a method node" for the purpose of keeping the claim language consistent throughout the claims.
  - Claims 3-10, 12-15, 46, and 50 depend on Claim 1 and, therefore, suffer the same deficiency as Claim 1.
  - Claim 12 contains a typographical error: Claim 12 should depend on Claim 1, not Claim 11.
  - Claim 18 contains a typographical error: Claim 18 should depend on Claim 16, not Claim 17.
  - Claim 27 contains a typographical error: Claim 27 should depend on Claim 16, not Claim 26.

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• Claim 33 contains a typographical error: Claim 33 should depend on Claim 31, not Claim 32.

• Claim 42 contains a typographical error: Claim 42 should depend on Claim 31, not Claim 41.

Appropriate correction is required.

#### Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

15. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

16. Claims 1, 3-10, 12-16, 18-25, 27-31, 33-40, and 42-51 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 1, 16, and 31 contain the trademark or trade name ENTERPRISE JAVA BEAN. When a trademark or trade name is used in a claim as a limitation to identify or describe a particular material or product, the claim does not comply with the requirements of the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. *Ex parte Simpson*, 218 USPQ 1020 (Bd. App. 1982). The claim scope is uncertain since the trademark or trade name cannot be used properly to identify any particular material or product. A trademark or trade name is used to identify a source of goods, and not the goods themselves. Thus, the use of a trademark or trade name in a claim to identify or describe a

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material or product would not only render a claim indefinite, but would also constitute an improper use of the trademark or trade name.

Claims 3-10, 12-15, 46, and 50 depend on Claim 1 and, therefore, suffer the same deficiency as Claim 1.

Claims 18-25, 27-30, 47, and 51 depend on Claim 16 and, therefore, suffer the same deficiency as Claim 16.

Claims 33-40, 42-45, 48, and 49 depend on Claim 31 and, therefore, suffer the same deficiency as Claim 31.

Claims 5, 6, 14, 15, 20-22, 24, 29, 30, 35, 36, and 44-51 recite the limitation "the markup language description." There is proper explicit antecedent basis for the limitation. However, the claims are rendered indefinite because it is unclear to the Examiner whether "the markup language description" is referring to "an Extensible Markup Language description" or not. For example, Claim 5 depends on Claim 4, which recites "an Extensible Markup Language description." Claim 4 ultimately depends on Claim 1, which recites "a markup language description." Based on this dependency order of the claims, "the markup language description" in Claim 5 has antecedent basis from either "an Extensible Markup Language description" or "a markup language description." In the interest of compact prosecution, the Examiner subsequently interprets this limitation as reading "a markup language description" for the purpose of further examination.

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Claim 23 depends on Claim 22 and, therefore, suffers the same deficiency as Claim 22.

Claim 25 depends on Claim 24 and, therefore, suffers the same deficiency as Claim 24.

# Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 17. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
  - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 18. Claims 1, 3-10, 12-16, 18-25, 27-31, 33-40, and 42-51 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 6,925,631 (hereinafter Golden) in view of US 6,754,659 (hereinafter Sarkar), and further in view of US 2003/0158832 (hereinafter Sijacic).

#### As per Claim 1, Golden discloses:

- creating an event handler for a method node found in the markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.");
- registering the event handler (see Column 9: 38-40, "The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface.");

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- parsing the markup language description and invoking the registered event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."); and

- generating output code using the invoked event handler (see Column 14: 45-46, "... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15.").

However, Golden does not disclose:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java

  Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file;
- introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean™ archive file to generate information relating to the input class; and
- generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class.

#### Sarkar discloses:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java

Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file (see Column 6: 50-55, "Then, at step 606, the Access Bean object AB701

retrieves environment information about generic EJB 720, locates it, and creates an instance of
the generic EJB 720 using standard EJB API calls."); and

- introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean™ archive file to generate information relating to the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file; and introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file to generate information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see <u>Sarkar</u> – Column 2: 10-13).

#### Sijacic discloses:

- generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Paragraph [0119], "Once a Java class that implements the ISimpleWorkPerformer interface is created and compiled, an XML description file for the class is defined. The XML description file specifies the environment, input, and output parameters that the class uses. In addition, the XML file specifies some optional design parameters that may control the custom activity's appearance in the process builder 391.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sijacic</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to describe a class of data objects using tags (see <u>Golden</u> – Column 3: 40-48).

As per Claim 3, the rejection of Claim 1 is incorporated; however, Golden does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

#### Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument."); and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain

the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see <u>Sarkar</u> – Column 2: 10-13).

As per Claim 4, the rejection of Claim 3 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.").

As per Claim 5, the rejection of Claim 4 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup

Language event handler for a method node found in a markup language description (see Column

9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application

registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser interface. The

event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 7, the rejection of Claim 1 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of event handlers for a method node found in the markup language description (see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags.").

As per Claim 8, the rejection of Claim 7 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering each of the plurality of event handlers (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 9, the rejection of Claim 8 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the markup language description and invoking each of the plurality of registered event handlers (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a

init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per Claim 10, the rejection of Claim 9 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating output code using each of the plurality of invoked event handler in parallel (see Column 14: 45-46, "... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15."; Column 18: 12-13, "If the branching is not conditional, the two branches following the first engine work in parallel.").

As per Claim 12, the rejection of Claim 1 is incorporated; however, <u>Golden</u> does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

#### Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument."); and

- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see <u>Sarkar</u> – Column 2: 10-13).

As per Claim 13, the rejection of Claim 12 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Figure 1: Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1: shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.").

As per Claim 14, the rejection of Claim 13 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible

Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in a markup language description (see

Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are

mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each

tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run"

methods at the end-tags.").

### As per Claim 16, Golden discloses:

- a processor operable to execute computer program instructions (see Column 7: 34-35, "... a computer system 10 with a processing unit and storage 11 for processing programs.");
- a memory operable to store computer program instructions executable by the processor (see Column 7: 34-35, "... a computer system 10 with a processing unit and storage 11 for processing programs."); and
- computer program instructions stored in the memory and executable (see Column 6: 25-28, "The disclosed embodiments of the computer program product comprise the disclosed program code which, for example, is stored on a computer-readable data carrier ...") to perform the steps of:
- creating an event handler for a method node found in the markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.");

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- registering the event handler (see Column 9: 38-40, "The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface.");

- parsing the markup language description and invoking the registered event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created.

  As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."); and
- generating output code using the invoked event handler (see Column 14: 45-46, "... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15.").

However, Golden does not disclose:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java

  Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file;
- introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean™ archive file to generate information relating to the input class; and
- generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class.

#### Sarkar discloses:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java

Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file (see Column 6: 50-55, "Then, at step 606, the Access Bean object AB701

retrieves environment information about generic EJB 720, locates it, and creates an instance of the generic EJB 720 using standard EJB API calls."); and

- introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file to generate information relating to the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file; and introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file to generate information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13).

#### Sijacic discloses:

- generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Paragraph [0119], "Once a Java class that implements the ISimpleWorkPerformer interface is created and compiled, an XML description file for the class is defined. The XML description file specifies the environment, input, and output

parameters that the class uses. In addition, the XML file specifies some optional design parameters that may control the custom activity's appearance in the process builder 391.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Sijacic into the teaching of Golden to include generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to describe a class of data objects using tags (see Golden – Column 3: 40-48).

As per Claim 18, the rejection of Claim 16 is incorporated; however, Golden does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

#### Sarkar discloses:

extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument."); and

- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see <u>Sarkar</u> – Column 2: 10-13).

As per Claim 19, the rejection of Claim 18 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.").

As per Claim 20, the rejection of Claim 19 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

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- creating a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup

Language event handler for a method node found in a markup language description (see Column

9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application

registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser interface. The

event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input

stream.").

As per Claim 27, the rejection of Claim 16 is incorporated; however, Golden does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

#### Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument."); and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain

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the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see <u>Sarkar</u> – Column 2: 10-13).

As per Claim 28, the rejection of Claim 27 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.").

As per Claim 29, the rejection of Claim 28 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible

Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in a markup language description (see

Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are

mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each

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tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags.").

#### As per Claim 31, Golden discloses:

- a computer readable medium (see Column 6: 25-28, "... a computer-readable data carrier ..."); and
- computer program instructions, recorded on the computer readable medium, executable by a processor, (see Column 6: 25-28, "The disclosed embodiments of the computer program product comprise the disclosed program code which, for example, is stored on a computer-readable data carrier ...") for performing the steps of:
- creating an event handler for a method node found in the markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.");
- registering the event handler (see Column 9: 38-40, "The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser interface.");
- parsing the markup language description and invoking the registered event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created.

  As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the

taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked."); and

- generating output code using the invoked event handler (see Column 14: 45-46, "...

the taglet document is written to the output stream 15.").

However, Golden does not disclose:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java

  Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file;
- introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean<sup>™</sup> archive file to generate information relating to the input class; and
- generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class.

#### Sarkar discloses:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file (see Column 6: 50-55, "Then, at step 606, the Access Bean object AB701 retrieves environment information about generic EJB 720, locates it, and creates an instance of the generic EJB 720 using standard EJB AP1 calls."); and
- introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean™ archive file to generate information relating to the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612,

the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file; and introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file to generate information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see <u>Sarkar</u> – Column 2: 10-13).

# Sijacic discloses:

- generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Paragraph [0119], "Once a Java class that implements the ISimpleWorkPerformer interface is created and compiled, an XML description file for the class is defined. The XML description file specifies the environment, input, and output parameters that the class uses. In addition, the XML file specifies some optional design parameters that may control the custom activity's appearance in the process builder 391.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sijacic</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include generating a markup language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to describe a class of data objects using tags (see <u>Golden</u> – Column 3: 40-48).

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As per Claim 33, the rejection of Claim 31 is incorporated; however, <u>Golden</u> does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

#### Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument."); and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include

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extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13).

As per Claim 34, the rejection of Claim 33 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XML document which represents a small section of an order.").

As per Claim 35, the rejection of Claim 34 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

creating a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler for a method node found in a markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 37, the rejection of Claim 31 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

creating a plurality of event handlers for a method node found in the markup language description (see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML

fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags.").

As per Claim 38, the rejection of Claim 37 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering each of the plurality of event handlers (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 39, the rejection of Claim 38 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing the markup language description and invoking each of the plurality of registered event handlers (see Column 9: 53-61. "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per Claim 40, the rejection of Claim 39 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating output code using each of the plurality of invoked event handler in parallel (see Column 14: 45-46, "... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15."; Column 18:

12-13, "If the branching is not conditional, the two branches following the first engine work in parallel.").

As per Claim 42, the rejection of Claim 31 is incorporated; however, <u>Golden</u> does not disclose:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method.

# Sarkar discloses:

- extracting information identifying methods included in the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument."); and
- for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of <u>Sarkar</u> into the teaching of <u>Golden</u> to include extracting information identifying methods included in the input class; and for each method, extracting information relating to parameters of the method. The modification would be obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to extract information from applications without modifying the applications themselves (see Sarkar – Column 2: 10-13).

As per Claim 43, the rejection of Claim 42 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating an Extensible Markup Language description of the input class based on the generated information relating to the input class (see Figure 1; Column 6: 36-38, "FIG. 1 shows an example of an extensible markup language input stream, here a fragment of a XMI. document which represents a small section of an order.").

As per Claim 44, the rejection of Claim 43 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- creating a plurality of Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible

Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in a markup language description (see

Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are

mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming language by arrows pointing from each

tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run"

methods at the end-tags.").

As per Claim 46, the rejection of Claim 5 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible

Markup Language event handler for a method node found in a markup language description (see

Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The

application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser

interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found
in the input stream.").

As per Claim 6, the rejection of Claim 46 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing a markup language description using a Simple Application Programming
Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the Simple Application
Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler (see Column 9: 53-61,
"Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found,
an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree
for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As
will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the
taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run ()
method is invoked.").

As per Claim 47, the rejection of Claim 20 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible

Markup Language event handler for a method node found in a markup language description (see

Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The

application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 21, the rejection of Claim 47 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

parsing a markup language description using a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per Claim 22, the rejection of Claim 21 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

creating a plurality of event handlers for a method node found in a markup language description (see Figure 2; Column 6: 51-61, "FIG. 2 illustrates that the tags of the XML fragment of FIG. 1 are mapped to classes of an object-oriented programming lunguage by arrows pointing from each tag to a class. More specifically, the arrows point to "init" methods at the start-tags and to "run" methods at the end-tags.").

As per Claim 23, the rejection of Claim 22 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering each of the plurality of event handlers (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 24, the rejection of Claim 23 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing a markup language description and invoking each of the plurality of registered event handlers (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per Claim 25, the rejection of Claim 24 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- generating output code using each of the plurality of invoked event handler in parallel (see Column 14: 45-46, "... the taglet document is written to the output stream 15."; Column 18: 12-13, "If the branching is not conditional, the two branches following the first engine work in parallel.").

As per Claim 48, the rejection of Claim 35 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible

Markup Language event handler for a method node found in a markup language description (see

Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The

application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser

interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found
in the input stream.").

As per Claim 36, the rejection of Claim 48 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing a markup language description using a Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handler (see Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per Claim 49, the rejection of Claim 44 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the plurality of created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in a markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing

process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax. Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 45, the rejection of Claim 49 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing a markup language description using a Simple Application Programming
Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the plurality of Simple
Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers (see
Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an
XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is
bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is
called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the
taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM
representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per Claim 50, the rejection of Claim 14 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the plurality of created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in a markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 15, the rejection of Claim 50 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing a markup language description using a Simple Application Programming
Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the plurality of Simple
Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers (see
Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an
XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is
bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is
called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the
taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM
representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

As per Claim 51, the rejection of Claim 29 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- registering the plurality of created Simple Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers for a method node found in a markup language description (see Column 9: 37-41, "The SAX parser, an event-driven API, is used for the parsing process. The application registers an event handler to a parser object that implements the org.sax.Parser interface. The event handler interface DocumentHandler is called whenever an element is found in the input stream.").

As per Claim 30, the rejection of Claim 51 is incorporated; and Golden further discloses:

- parsing a markup language description using a Simple Application Programming
Interface for Extensible Markup Language parser and invoking the plurality of Simple
Application Programming Interface for Extensible Markup Language event handlers (see
Column 9: 53-61, "Upon parsing the input stream, a DOM representation of it is created. As an
XML tag is found, an object (e.g. a JAVA class), as defined by the corresponding binding, is
bound to the DOM tree for the specific tag. A tag with behavior (e.g. a JAVA class) bound to it is
called a "taglet". As will be explained in more detail below, a init () method is invoked on the
taglet. After all of the taglet's children (possibly zero) have been added to the DOM
representation, the taglet's run () method is invoked.").

# Response to Arguments

19. Applicant's arguments with respect to Claims 1, 16, and 31 have been considered, but are most in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

#### In the remarks, Applicant argues that:

a) Sarkar discloses a method and system for running application code originally developed as simple Java Beans, in an Enterprise Java Bean (EJB) environment, without modifying the original application code. Thus, Sarkar discloses receiving a simple Java Beans file and introspecting the simple Java Beans. By contrast, claim 1, for example, requires receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java Bean archive file and introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean archive file to generate information relating to the input class.

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# Examiner's response:

a) Sarkar discloses:

- receiving an archive file to be deployed, wherein the archive file is an Enterprise Java

Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file (see Column 6: 50-55, "Then, at step 606, the Access Bean object AB701

retrieves environment information about generic EJB 720, locates it, and creates an instance of

the generic EJB 720 using standard EJB API calls."); and

- introspecting an input class included in the Enterprise Java Bean<sup>TM</sup> archive file to generate information relating to the input class (see Column 6: 66 and 67 to Column 7: 1-4, "Specifically, at step 608, the generic EJB 720 uses Java class/introspection/reflection to retrieve the static variable of properties object C1 and obtain the name of the helper object it needs to instantiate which is based on the previously-set static variable." and 8-11, "At step 612, the generic EJB 720 uses Java reflection to get the main execution method of the helper object HO701 and, at step 614, invokes it, passing in the properties object C1 as an argument.").

#### Conclusion

20. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to Applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Qing Chen whose telephone number is 571-270-1071. The

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Examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

The Examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Wei Zhen, can be reached on 571-272-3708. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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